



1 PETER 2:5-9

YOU YOURSELVES LIKE
LIVING STONES ARE
BEING BUILT UP AS
A SPIRITUAL HOUSE

Welcome

to Living Stone! Jesus Christ is the
living stone through whom we receive
forgiveness, life, and salvation.
We are glad you are here, as we
gather for worship centered in
Word and Sacrament.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Thanksgiving for the 50th wedding anniversary of Al and Joan Koepke (Oct. 9).
Thanksgiving for the 61st wedding anniversary of William and Karen Frederick (Oct. 9).
Thanksgiving for the 34th wedding anniversary of Martin and Peggy Haeger (Oct. 10).
Thanksgiving for the 30th wedding anniversary of John and Tavia Shively (Oct. 12).
Thanksgiving for the birth of Sadie Rae Piedimonte, daughter of Steve and Carly
Piedimonte, granddaughter of John and Karen Piedimonte (Oct. 3).
Marla Fisher who is hospitalized.

Today we celebrate the baptism of Margot Ann Mueller, daughter of Dan and Maggie
Mueller, in the sanctuary.



PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Thomas S. Schlund • Senior Pastor
Rev. Tanner S. Wade • Associate Pastor
Rev. Paul T. Prange • Visitation Pastor

MUSIC STAFF

Matthew Gerhardt • Kantor
Joel Stopenhagen • Asst. Kantor
Whitney Wade • Living Stone Music Dir.

SCHOOL STAFF

Dawn Walker • School Principal
Jessica Bangert • ECC Director
Andrea Bluhm • PDO Director

FAMILY MINISTRY

Sharon Shearman • Director

CORE VALUES

Faithful in Christ • Jesus is the center of
our biblical foundation, Gospel message,
and the Lutheran Confessions

Confident in Christ • Jesus generously
provides all that we need for daily and
eternal life

Joyful in Christ • Jesus is our source of joy
that transcends our daily circumstances

Connected in Christ • Jesus' love moves us
to serve the community and one another

Vision Statement • To be devoted
followers of Jesus Christ, passionate about
sharing the Gospel in word and deed

Mission Statement • Strengthen the
saved; save the lost

WORSHIP

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00, 9:30, and 10:45 a.m. • Sunday 10:45 a.m. Living Stone

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SAINT PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



"Rooted to Be Full, Even When You Are Empty"

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2026

ORDER OF SERVICE

Greeting

Opening Song • “Way Maker”

Invocation & Prayer of the Day

First Reading

Responsive Psalm

Second Reading

Holy Gospel

Song of the Day • “Firm Foundation (He Won’t)”

Sermon • “Rooted to Be Full, Even When You Are Empty”

Apostles’ Creed

Children’s Message

Offering & Offertory Song • “Honey In The Rock”

Announcements & Ministry Minute

Prayer of the Church

Confession of Sins and Absolution

The Lord’s Prayer

Words of Our Lord & “Peace”

Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)

Distribution Songs “Gratitude” and “Lord I Need You”

Dismissal

Benediction

Closing Song • “This Is Amazing Grace”
(Song of the Month)

Preaching: Pastor Wade • Liturgist: Pastor Schlund

Assisting Seminarian: Paul Blessing

Audio: Kiera Presti • ProPresenter: Reid Pelt

Video: Greg Polk

Instrumentalists • Acoustic guitar: William Jackson;

Bass: Dave Schaller; Electric guitar: Valerie Winkler

Percussion: Steve Brosch; Piano: Mark Yaeger

Vocals • Dave Schaller; Sarah Pizar; Valerie Winkler;

Whitney Wade; William Jackson

FIRST READING

Isaiah 25:6–9

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. And He will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of His people He will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, “Behold, this is our GOD; we have waited for Him, that He might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for Him; let us be glad and rejoice in His salvation.”

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 23

P The Lord is my shepherd;

C I shall not want.

P He makes me lie down in green pastures.

C He leads me beside still waters.

P He restores my soul.

C He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name’s sake.

P Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me;

C Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

P You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

C You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

P Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

C and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

A Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

SECOND READING

Philippians 4:4–13

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 22:1–14

Again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.’ But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.’ And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

“But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. And he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”